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The American Navy was founded by the Continental Congress in October, 1775. Up to the present time it has given a good account of itself and has flown our Flag, in peace and in war, with dignity and honor. With our thousands of miles of coast lines, our island possessions and our world-wide commerce, our Navy is of the greatest importance as our first line of defense in the event of war. Its scientific schools, experiments and inventions have also contributed much to the arts of peace.

The observance of this day has become a national custom and during the past sixteen years has brought to our Nation a better and more thorough understanding of our Navy and the vital part it plays towards maintaining our national security.

In full patriotic spirit it seems most fitting to observe one day a year as NAVY DAY on which to honor Our Navy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leslie Jensen, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby set aside and proclaim October 27, 1938, as

NAVY DAY

I suggest that such educational and patriotic exercises be held on that day as shall honor our Navy and increase our familiarity with its place in our national life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be hereto affixed.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Pierre, this 16th day of September, 1938.

ATTEST

Golda Wells
Secretary of State

(GREAT SEAL)

Assistant Secretary of State

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